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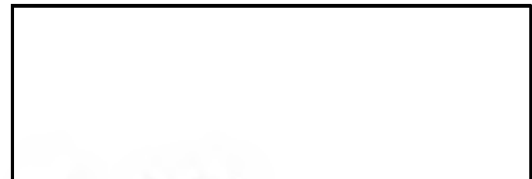
Dear General:

During a casual conversation with [redacted] in Sanfrancisco I learned that he is fed up with the Far East in general. This attitude coincides with that of many other old china-hands.

It also became clear to me that [redacted] is very happy in Sanfrancisco, where he married a very photogenic wife two years ago.

In view of [redacted] lack of a genuine interest in the Orient and oriental people I would feel inclined to question his eligibility for the number one job in this area.

With best regards,



Hans V. Tofta/

Lieutenant General Walter Bedell Smith  
Washington, D.C.

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